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1. U.S. REP. MARTIN INFORMED CCD WESTERN GROUP AT JUNE 24 MEET-
ING OF ENMOD DEVELOPMENTS PER REFTEL, PARA 1. ITALINA REP. DI-
BERNARDO PRESSED FOR MORE PARTICULARS BUT MARTIN AGAIN NOTED, PER
REFTEL, THAT SOVIETS HAD MOVED SIGNIFICANTLY TOWARD U.S. APPROACH
AND THAT ALLIES WOULD BE INFORMED OF ANY DEVELOPMENTS.

2. AFTER MEETING BROKE UP, MEERBURT (DUTCH DEP REP) TOLD U.S.
DEL OFF. PRIVATELY THAT THE NETHERLANDS INTENDS TO PROVIDE COM-
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MENTS ON U.S. DRAFT IN NEAR FUTURE, AND THAT COMMENTS WOULD BE

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SIMILAR TO DUTCH REMARKS AT NATO DISARMAMENT EXPERTS' MEETING LAST APRIL. (OTHER ASPECTS OF WESTERN GROUP MEETING REPORTED SEPTEL.)

4. U.S. ALTERNATE REP. GIVAN REACHED REDEROV BY PHONE MORNING JUNE 24 AND CONVEYED MESSAGE AS INSTRUCTED PARA 2. FEDEROV ASKED WHETHER QUOTE INTERNAL USG REVIEW UNQUOTE IMPLIED DISCUSSION AMONG ALL INTERESTED U.S. AGENCIES AND WAS ASSURED THAT IT DID. HE SAID HE WAS SURE THAT SIMILAR CONSIDERATIONS HAD BEGUN IN MOSCOW. HE ADDED THAT HE PLANNED TO LEAVE GENEVA BY TRAIN LATE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25 BUT WOULD BE AVAILABLE UNTIL THEN IF U.S. DEL WISHED TO REACH HIM.

5. AT JUNE 24 OPENING SESSION OF CCD, STATEMENT BY ROSHCHIN (USSR) INCLUDED FOLLOWING REMARKS ON ENMOD (ROUGH TRANSLATION BY U.S. MISSION OFFICER):
QUOTE: ONE OF THESE MATTERS (BEFORE THE CCD) IS THE REQUEST OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY REGARDING AGREEMENT ON A DRAFT CONVENTION PROHIBITING THE INFLUENCING OF THE ENVIRONMENT FOR MILITARY PURPOSES. IN THE COURSE OF THE SPRING SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE A SIGNIFICANT INTEREST ON THE PART OF DELEGATOIONS WAS EXPRESSED WITH REGARD TO THIS MATTER. IN THIS REGARD QUESTIONS WERE RAISED BOTH OF A TECHNICAL AND OF A POLITICAL NATURE. FOR THE PURPOSE OF A MORE DETAILED UNDERSTANDING OF THE MATTER, ON AUGUST 4 OF THIS YEAR AN INFORMAL MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE IS SCHEDULED WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF TECHNICAL EXPERTS. BOTH DURING THE COURSE OF THIS MEETING AND ALSO DURING THE FORMAL MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE WE INTEND TO PRESENT THE SOVIET UNION'S POSITION ON THIS MATTER. AT PRESENT WE WOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE ITS SIGNIFICANCE AND THE FACT THAT THE REQUEST OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED IMMEDIATELY. UNQUOTE.DALE

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